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TAGS: PFOR, TU, CY, GR

SUBJ: CYPRUS: ECEVIT TELLS PRESS PROPOSALS
 MUST BE ANSWERED AUGUST 13

1. FOLLOWING MEETING WITH TGS CHIEF SANCAR, MINDEF ISIK AND
 THREE FORCES COMMANDERS THIS MORNING (AUG 13) PRIMIN ECEVIT

REPORTEDLY TOLD JOURNALISTS THAT TURKEY STILL SEARCHING FOR PEACE
 AND WAITING FOR CONFEREES TO RECONVENE AT GENEVA. HOWEVER, HE
 ADDED, "WHETHER IT (GENEVA CONFERENCE) CONVENES OR NOT, WE ARE
 WAITING UNTIL MIDNIGHT FOR A DEFINITE ANSWER TO OUR INITIAL PROPOSAL
 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT IS POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE. OUR STAND
 VIS-A-VIS THE CONFERENCE DEPENDS ON THAT ANSWER. WE SHALL THEN
 DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS BENEFIT IN CONTINUING WITH THE
 CONFERENCE. FOR THE TIME BEING WE ARE WAITING. THEY DID NOT
 COME AT 2200 HOURS SWISS TIME YESTERDAY. WE HAVE SHOWN GOOD
 WILL AND IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER OR NOT THE MEETING WAS HELD LAST
 NIGHT, WE WILL WAIT FOR AN ANSWER UNTIL 2200 RPT 2200 HOURS

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TODAY. WE SHALL THEN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DETERMINE WHETHER
 THERE IS ANY BENEFIT IN CONTINUING WITH THE CONFERENCE, WHETHER
 THEY HAVE GOOD INTENTIONS OR NOT AND WHETHER THEY WANT TO REALLY
 SOLVE THE PROBLEM IN PEACE WITHOUT PURSUING A DELAYING POLICY."

(COMMENT: ECEVIT DID NOT SPECIFY WHETHER BY "2200" HE MEANT LOCAL
 TIME OR GENEVA TIME).

2. EARLIER, ECEVIT MADE SIMILAR BUT BRIEFER STATEMENT TO PRESS
 ON EMERGING FROM HIS OFFICE AT 0230 LOCAL AUG 13.

3. AUG 13 PRESS ALSO REPORTS FOMIN GUNES TOLD HIS COUNTERPARTS
 AT GENEVA THAT "THERE WOULD BE NOTHING LEFT TO DO" IN MEETING IF
 TURKISH PROPOSALS NOT ACCEPTED. THESE PROPOSALS REPORTED AS (1)
 CYPRUS CONSTITUTION MUST BE RADICALLY CHANGED; (2) TWO AUTONOMOUS EN-
 TITIES MUST BE RECOGNIZED AS EXISTING IN CYPRUS AND CYPRUS STATE
 MUST BE BASED ON THESE PRINCIPLES: (A) FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATE
 COMPOSED OF TWO NATIONS; (B) TWO FEDERATED STATES WILL BE TOTALLY
 AUTONOMOUS; (C) TWO STATES WILL CONSTITUTE FEDERAL RULING POWER WITH
 EQUAL RIGHTS; (D) TURKISH CYPRIOT STATE WOULD INCLUDE 34 PERCENT OF
 ISLAND, MADE UP AT MOST OF FIVE CANTONS, LARGEST OF WHICH WOULD
 COVER 17 PERCENT OF ISLAND.

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